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FOR: COMPONENTS FOR VACUUM DEPOSITION APPARATUS AND VACUUM DEPOSITION APPARATUS THEREWITH, AND TARGET APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.